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RIDERS OF THE PLAINS Photoplay in 2 reels 1 #5 Morgan's Raid Story by Karl Coolidge and James Jaccard V Directed by Jacques Jaccard

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"RIDERS OF THE PLAINS"

Chapter 5

"MORGAN'S RAID"

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When the Overland Stage bearing Bart Frey and Tom Kildare, the Indian agents who are to sign the treaty upon which the fate of the Western Frontier depends, tears from the hilltop down the steep trail into the Indian village, shouts of exultation go up, but the next instant the eager assemblage is turned into dismay and confusion when the stage hurtles in a spectacular finish through the lane of tepecs and suddenly overturns in a cloud of dust.

Johnnie Frey, Star Light and the chiefs rush for ard, tense. They are relieved when the dust-covered, begrimed, bruised figures of Kildare and Frey emerge from the battered stage coach. The two agents have escaped death by a close margin.

Clustering closely about the overturned stage, the Indian chiefs and the three white men that I am Mildere presere to sign the peace treaty. It is at this moment that Dan Morgan and his raiders, sent by Jacques Cartier to thwart the delivery of the treaty, reach the crust of the hill overlooking the village at Kennekuk Lake and realize the treaty is about to be signed.

With quick, desperate decision, Norgan orders his men to start a prairie fire, which, carried by the wind, will sweep the village. His plan is to raid the village as the flames surge through it, in the hope of seizing the treaty before the signatures have been affixed.

Running Elk has just told Kildare and Frey to sign -that the chiefs will then add their names to the peace document -when, as one of the agents starts to use the pen, the prairie fire is discovered leaping swiftly toward the village. The alarm spreads consternation and fear among the assemblage. There is a mad rush for tepees, for papooses and belongings -a surge to escape before the flames trap them. And at this crux, Morgan and his raiders suddenly appear, sweeping down from the crest of the hill toward the tepees.

"Drive them from the camp, but under no circumstances shed a drop of blood", has been Morgan's order. And his men comply. But the wildness of their charge -their fusillade of shots, even though simed over the Indian's heads -plunge the Indians into panic.

Scenes of wild confusion follow, with Johnnie vainly attempting to

stem the tide - the mad scramble to escape both prairie fire and marauders.

anxiously for word, burying their political differences in a common preyer that the Red Peril rising at their very doors will be halted. But not so Jacques Cartier, who, with even greater anxiety, waits with his daughter Simone - who, blindly serving her father's every whim, had induced Dan Morgan to set forth with his men to foil the delivery of the treaty.

Morgan had agreed, because of his love for her. So Cartier waits -with a different eagerness than that of the citizens -with a fanatically lust for vengence upon the Americans - vengence upon the Indians who crippled him.

In the confusion of the raid at the Indian village at Kennekuk Lake the unsigned peace treaty has been left by one of the agents in a portfolio on the overturned stage. Morgan finds it and with elation tucks it away in his shirt blouse as the raid goes on. But he is seen in the act by Johnnie Frey, who is searching for Star Light, supposed daughter of Rupning Elk. Disparented

girl, Johnnie mounts whiskey, h. own fine steed, to keep an eye on Morgan.

Meantime, the prairie fire has swept the village. The Indians are fleeing in all directions precipitously. Star Light, in an effort to reach safety, gropes her way thru smoke and flames, but finds the fire hemming her in on all sides. Overcome, she staggers, then falls into the flaming furnace about her, apparently doomed.

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